Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What were the dates of sanctioning these requests?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—About 1928.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was not the first provision made in 1109 budget?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—Sanction was granted by Mr. Herbert.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Hon'ble Member kindly tell me at the instance of which particular officer the matter was taken to the court?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—Not at the instance of any particular officer, but at the instance of the Government.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know to whom is this matter most concerned; the department in charge of the case?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—I think it was the Devaswom Commissioner.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—When are they going to realise the loss they have suffered in conducting the case? The amount noted here is after all deductions.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was not the first proposal to pay at the rate of Rs. 5000 a year and was not provision made in the budgets of 1109 and 1110?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—The intention was to pay the amount as funds permitted.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Are we to understand that the financial position of Cochin has improved as to double the amount of repayment from next year onwards?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—It is a liability on the part of the Government and it is also the duty of the Government to wipe off the liability entirely.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—From which head of the budget is this amount paid?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—From Education.

Appointment—Dr. E. S. R. Menon.

272. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether Dr. E. S. R. Menon was an applicant for the Assistant Surgeon's place in the Cochin Medical Service at any time during 1102—1106;

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(b) why was he not appointed in pursuance of the said application;

(c) when was he appointed Director of Public Health;

(d) was there any proposal to bifurcate the Medical and Sanitary Departments at any time during 1107 or 1108;

(e) what was the objection that was raised by the Government with regard to the said bifurcation at that time?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Aiyar.—(a) No.

(b) The question does not arise in view of answer to subdivision (a).

(c) In 1108.

(d) Yes, in 1107.

(e) Want of funds.

Donation—Benares University.

273. Mr. P. Raman Menon.— Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) the amount of donation given to the Benares University and the conditions of that donation;

(b) whether the prescribed number of students from this State are yearly admitted in the Engineering College at Benares University;

(c) if not, what is the reason for the dearth of the students;

(d) who makes the selection of students and on what basis or principles?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) One lakh of rupees. No condition was attached to the donation

(b) Yes.

(c) The question does not arise in view of answer to subdivision (b).

(d) The Director of Public Instruction. The selection is made on the basis of merit and community.

Transfer of Doctors—Nambiode and Kuriarkutty.

274. Mr. E. P. Bhaskara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to give a statement showing:—

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